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MORE MONEY for the Porterville Museum project, \$400 more, in fact, is being presented to Al Hilton, left, by representatives of the Mystic Knights of the Supreme Order of Bushfaces, namely Lyle Attebury and Alan Hammond, Great and Supreme Exalted Bushfaces, and Doc Small, alias Gene Duncan. Hilton, named Saturday as Man of the Year, is president of the Noon

Lions' club, the organization pushing renovation of the old Southern Pacific depot as a museum; the Bushfaces raised most of their museum money through sale of Doc Small's Magic Health-Giving S.O.B. Elixir, Good For Man Or Beast. However the unsung hero of the donation is Dr. Warren Goux, a Bushface member, who kicked in 100 bucks for the museum donation.

(Hammond studio photo)

SNOW SURVEY MEETING AT CAMP NELSON

CAMP NELSON. Feb. 6 — California Cooperators' Snow Survey meeting has been set for Camp Nelson February 18-19, with engineers, managers of various types of districts, public officials and the general public invited to attend.

California Cooperators is composed of agencies that work with the California department of water resources in making annual state snow surveys in connection with water runoff predictions.

Among local agencies that participate in the program are the city of Porterville, Southern California Edison company, Pacific Gas and Electric company, the Forest service, Porterville Irrigation district, Saucelito Irrigation district, Terra Bella Irrigation district, the Vandalia Irrigation district, Lower Tule River Irrigation district and J. G. Boswell

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NEVA PORCH HASTINGS HONORED FOR YEARS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE AT PORTERVILLE CHAMBER BANQUET

(Ed. Note: A pioneer — Neva Porch Hastings — was honored Saturday night with a special



Neva Porch Hastings

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH ORGAN DESCRIBED BY RICHARD VILLEMIN

(Note: Following up our story of last week on the pipe organ that is being installed in the Congregational church by Richard Villemain, more detailed information on the organ is herewith presented by Villemain.)

The pipe organ installation currently underway at the First Congregational Church, Porterville, can best be described in general as follows:

Controlled by a Four Manual, classical drawknob console, the organ consists of five organ divisions under expression, and one unenclosed exposed division located in the balcony in the back of the church.

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In the opposite end of the church, in what was formerly the Tower Room beneath the church spire, has been installed a new "Echo" Organ. This is a complete organ within itself. In the balcony, an

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SPRINGVILLE RODEO SET APRIL 11-12

SPRINGVILLE, Feb. 6 — Springville-Sierra rodeo dates were announced this week as April 11 and 12, with General Chairman Monte Gifford stating that many of the top world champion cowboys who competed in the nationally televised Springville show last year will be back for this year's event.

And visiting cowboys will be in for a rough go since rodeo stock will again be furnished by Andy Jauregui, of Newhall.

Staged as a community event by the Springville-Sierra Rodeo association, composed of representatives of farm and civic groups in Springville, the show annually draws not only rodeo fans, but pic-

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award at the 57th annual banquet of the Porterville chamber of commerce. Following is a tribute to Mrs. Hastings:

By Howard J. Frame

It is with much feeling and deep respect that we pay homage to a Grand Lady by presenting her with a special award inscribed "With a Lifetime of Sympathy for All", in token of our appreciation for what she has contributed to this community and surrounding country.

It is hard to realize that she is now 93 years old, having spent the most part of her life here in Tulare County as a little girl, student, mother, foster-mother and school teacher in this county for 48 years. I doubt if this accomplishment will ever be surpassed.

It would be interesting to know how many children have attended her classes during all of these years and the wonderful Christian influence this lovable lady has had

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RECEIVING HER award at the 57th annual banquet of the Porterville chamber of commerce last Saturday evening is Neva Porch Hastings, the presentation being made by Harland Ohde, master of ceremonies at the banquet.

(Recorder photo)

Cooper Smith Superintendent Of Fair Exhibits

PORTERVILLE, Feb. 6 — Named Monday evening as exhibits superintendent for the 1964 Porterville fair was Cooper Smith, retired forest service official, who went to work immediately selling exhibit

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CONTEST IS OPENED FOR QUEEN

PORTERVILLE, Feb. 6 — Contestants for queen of the 17th annual Porterville Roundup, May 2 and 3, are now being signed by members of the Roundup's sponsoring organization, the Orange

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NEWEST YOUTH organization is the Z club that was formed by the Zonta Club of Porterville from junior class girls at Porterville high school. The club was inaugurated at a dinner meeting Sunday, at the Starlite, with school and Zonta club officials participating. At top left are club officers - Dian Dotters, president; Christina Higgins, vice president; Janet Schwinn, standing for Secretary Karen Conrad; Pat Dubie, treasurer; and Kathy Wilson, inter-club council representative on the high school campus. Center photo shows Marie Brey, past district governor of Zonta International who presented the club certificate of organization, Miss Dubie, and Don Howard, Porterville high school principal. Lower photo - Blanche Stolte, president of the Porterville Zonta club; Miss Leola Morrison, dean of girls at Porterville high school and co-advisor of the Z club, and Waltraut Wilson, lieutenant governor of District Nine, Zonta International. At right, from top: C. W. Easterbrook, district superintendent of Porterville high school and college, who spoke on the value of service clubs on the school campus; Leonora Gross, director of area two, district nine, Zonta International, from Stockton, who installed club officers; Fannye Natzke, past-president of Porterville Zonta club; and Teresa Mills, high school faculty member and co-advisor for the club. Thirty-five charter members attended the Sunday meeting; the Z club is the student equivalent of Zonta, a woman's service club.

(Farm Tribune photos)



THE WINNAHS - At the Saturday night Porterville chamber of commerce banquet - the 57th such - Waltraut Wilson, last year's woman of the year



presents the 1963 award to Hazel Fink as a standin for her sister Margaret Rodgers, who could not attend; Mrs. Rodgers; Al Hilton receives



the man of the year award from last year's winner, Allen Coates; Doris Burkhardt, president of last year's organization of the year, presents the



1963 award to Mrs. Jerry Aanestad, president of the Porterville Junior Women's club; Dale Smith, official of the Southern Pacific Railroad



company, presents a deed to Mayor Bill Rodgers for the old S.P. passenger depot, which will be renovated and made into a museum by the Porterville chamber.

Editorial Comment

RECREATION — A NATURAL PRODUCT

Committees designed to make wheels of trade and commerce turn faster, are continually on the loose, trying to sell everything under the sun except the thing that we have the most of in the southeastern Tulare county area — recreation.

Of course the Porterville chamber of commerce, the Tulare county chamber of commerce and we suppose practically every other chamber of commerce in the county, has a recreation committee. And, of course, all of these committees do accomplish something.

But with the greatest natural product in the world to sell — recreation — we as a county are sitting on our hands and sticking our head in the sand while other areas are out hustling. Result: We are letting tourist dollars roll past us and around us and we are making less than a half-hearted effort to corral said dollars.

Case in point: Woody Hannam, of Woody's Pack Station at Quaking Aspen, has just returned from the 10-day International Sports, Vacation and Travel show in Los Angeles. One hundred thousand people — everyone of them a potential recreation customer — went through this show; there were only two exhibits from the west side of the Sierra — Woody and the Currie company.

But representatives from the East side of the mountains exhibited en masse — the county chambers of commerce, city chambers, packers' association. Their exhibits were impressive; their numbers present were impressive; one of the gimmicks were buttons, worn by everyone — "Inyo-Mono Vacation Land" — and because they have been promoting their area for years, folks know about it, tourists stream out of southern California, and drive the long, hot desert miles to get to this thing called recreation. They could get the same thing in Tulare county with a much more pleasant trip in a quarter of the time — but recreation is not really being sold in our county.

Among exhibitors at the Los Angeles show were the states of Colorado, Oregon, Wyoming, and Alaska; Trinity county; several lake resorts in California, and a number of major companies interested in recreation products.

At Woody's booth people voluntarily picked up 3,000 brochures, 5,000 maps of the Tule river area, and assorted promotional material that Woody was able to lay hands on at the last minute.

In talking with people who stopped by, Woody found that virtually all of them knew about the east side of the Sierra but few of them had ever heard of Porterville, or Springville, or Tulare county or the Tule and Kaweah river country.

He found that many of them were amazed to learn of the quick, freeway drive from Los Angeles into Tulare county; he found that many of them thought the west side of the Sierra was like the east side — desert country; he learned that water sports enthusiasts, particularly water skiers, are eager to find new lakes; (many of the southern California lakes allow only boating and fishing, not skiing) in general the west side of the Sierra is "virgin territory" in so far as tourist and recreation promotion and advertising is concerned.

Now this does not mean that nothing has been done about recreation promotion in this area. The county chamber of commerce has developed a show on this subject that went to the



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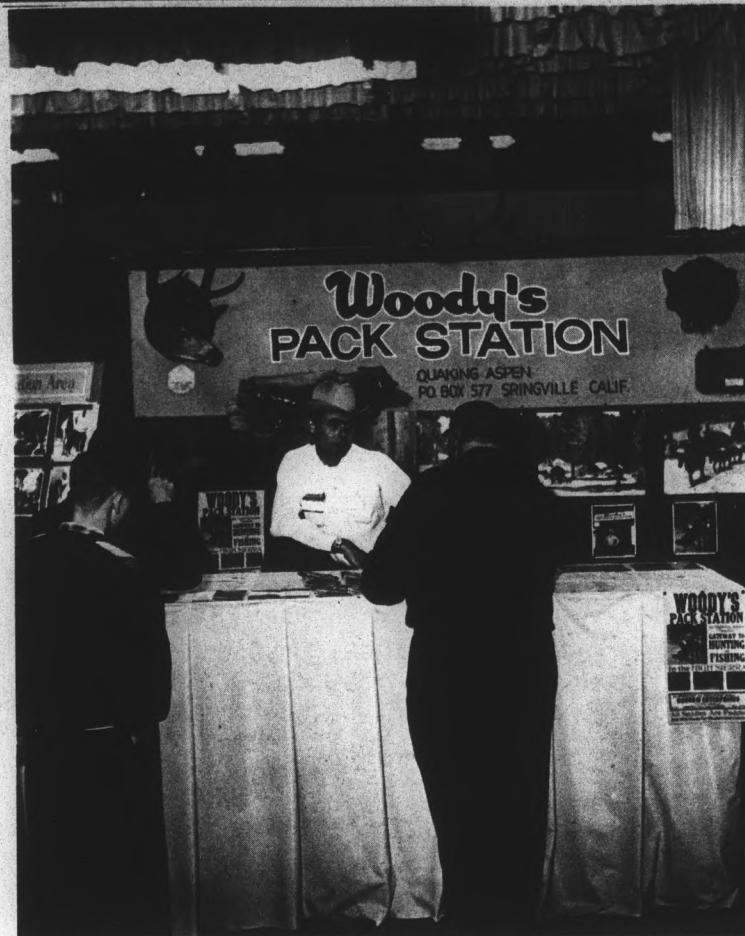


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ONE OF only two exhibits from the west side of the Sierra at the recent International Sports, Vacation and Travel show in Los Angeles was the above booth, bought and manned by Woody Hannam.

Tulare county, city chambers of commerce, and private groups missed a chance to sell local recreation to 100,000 potential customers.

(Chuck Lee photo)

state's two major fairs during the past season; there have been a number of articles in southern California newspapers about the Sierra country; there is promotion being done by private organizations and businesses. The National parks, of course, draw thousands of people each year, but they are a sort of entities in themselves and have not, in the public mind, really been tied with county recreation promotion.

The whole point is that all of Tulare county, including the national parks, the Tule and Kaweah watersheds, the Western Divide, the new lakes, add up to a tremendous recreation area that gives us a ready-made natural product to sell.

All we have to do is start selling that product — that product known as recreation — on an organized, concentrated basis.

If we do, and when we do, those tourist dollars will start rolling 'round and 'round in greater and greater quantities. And isn't it new dollars that we want in our stream of trade and commerce?

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THE WAPSHOT SCANDAL, by John Cheever, is more episodes about the Wapshot family of St. Botolphs: eccentric haunted individuals who embody some of the bitterness and loneliness of our times. Trouble comes dramatically and painfully to old Honora, who has never paid income taxes; to Coverly, whose wife hates their home in a missile site on the western desert; and to Moses, whose wife is bored with the suburbs. This is not a pleasant story, but one with a memorable bite and sharpness.

Now I would like for you to meet SHIRLEY, by E. V. Cunningham. Shirley, a wisecracking, tough, bright, honest young orphan girl from the Bronx, who makes a living as a biller for a plastics firm on Houston Street — she is a real find, and so is the clever, middle-aged policeman who works with her to find out who it is who wants to kill her, and why.

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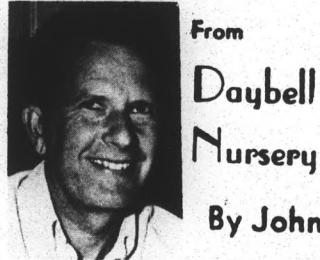
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NEW BOOKS

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and to save her life. She gets into this jam through no fault of her own — and believe me she is the one who gets herself out of it. This is a fast-moving suspense story that has genuine chills and some very funny moments. However, you will remember Shirley rather than the story.

Camilla Bittle, author of the recent novel "Boy in the pool", which was very popular, has written a new one titled *A CHANGE OF PLEA*. This is about a case of manslaughter — a man killed by a reckless teen-age driver. The story is slowly, skillfully developed, with a cast of characters that catches the reader's interest. The lawyer for the defense, a quiet, hard-working man with a pushy, over-competent wife, is the hero. The villain, an unfeeling, pettyminded, vicious woman, is the mother of the teen-age driver. More than a story of law and violence, this book has interesting, valid things to say about marriage, the raising of children, and the need for standards and purpose in life.



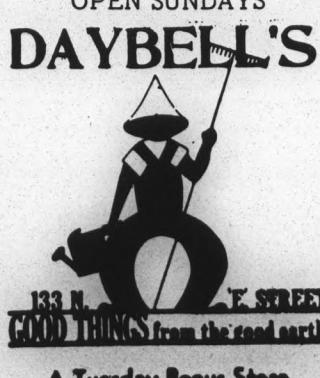
From
Daybell
Nursery
By John

February is a great month for the gardener. There are so many interesting garden activities, it pretty near drives the poor cuss right out of his mind. The same thing is true of the nurseryman except his mind hasn't as far to go.

Much of this feverish activity is brought about by nice days between frustrating days of fog or cold. These warm and mild days result in tons of earth being moved, roses being lagged off, and old shrubs coming out by the roots. This is followed by holes being dug and then filled in with all sorts of strange looking weeds. Also with several magic potions guaranteed to make them grow.

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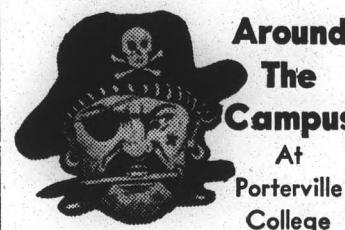
4-H CLUBS - Pleasant View and Rockford - were in the spotlight at annual banquet of the Poplar chamber of commerce last Thursday, with above photos showing some of the activities: Howard Smith, top left, presents a trophy to Greg Dunbar, president of the Pleasant View club, as the

club selling the most tickets for the fall 4-H breakfast; Roy Baxley, Pleasant View 4-H leader, receives a certificate of appreciation for 21 years of 4-H club work; Jakie Lunstad, president of the Rockford club, saxophone sextet, from Pleasant View Mike Overolt, Car-

ol Oliver, Yolanda Racca, Deanna Overolt, Carl Lindgren and Roman Racca; Janet Serafin, accordianist from Pleasant View; Donna, Dotty and Deanna Overolt and June Oliver, from Pleasant View; George Souza, president of the Tulare County 4-H Coun-

cil, master of ceremonies; from Rockford, Betsy Billiou and Carrie Lunstad in a demonstration; Sandra Valine, baton twirler; and a vocal quartet composed of Diane Ferrero, Wanda Posey, Betsy and Jackie Billiou.

(Farm Tribune photos)



**Around
The
Campus
At
Porterville
College**

By Susan Rodgers

Plans and promises are becoming reality this week on the P.C. campus. The new gym is under construction, at least the ground is being leveled and prepared for construction. This is enough to create an elated atmosphere, but there is more. Last Saturday night the Pirates beat Hancock college in a real thriller that sparked a lot of enthusiasm among students. So everything is right with the world on campus today.

A rally Friday started the weekend activities. Director of Athletics Carl Elder spoke, and Basketball Coach Jim Maples introduced John Fisher, new member on the Pirate team. The Newman club sponsored a dance after the game.

The Pirates play two games away this week, Friday at Merced and Saturday at Coalinga.

The College "Y" will sponsor a dance this Saturday at the high school girls' gym.

In the field of music and drama, scholarships have been presented to six P.C. students by the A.A.U.W. Recipients were Vicki Wheeler, Marie Baker Neese, Janice Work, Shirley Potter, Susan Sunderland, and Alice Peterson.

CHURCH ORGAN

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"Antiphonal" organ has been installed in the classical style with the organ pipes in full view.

The organ percussions, Harp and Cathedral Chimes have been located in the Choir and Swell Organs respectively. The Symphonic Carillon is in the Solo division chamber. The independent "Pedal" organ is installed along with the "Great" organ, however, there are Pedal divisions also in the Swell and Echo organs of appropriate

Traditional Jazz will be played every day at noon on the campus starting next week. Carl Longesso, who writes a column on Jazz for the school paper will be in charge of running tapes.

A campus development meeting will be held on February 26 at 3 p.m. Interested students are invited to participate.

Two student council conferences will be held this spring. The Central California Junior College Student Government association will hold its conference March 21, hosted by Allan Hancock college. Tony Perella, student council social activities commissioner, will chair

man a workshop there on campus organizations. Purpose of the conference is to promote closer communications with colleges of the area. The state conference will be held April 23-25 at the Biltmore hotel in Los Angeles. Porterville will send five delegates to meet with students from throughout California.

power for their respective divisions.

Distribution of organ stops: The primary and secondary "Diapason Chorus" is the main function of the Great Organ. Here we have the Great Open Diapason, its independent 4 ft. Octave; the Viola Diapason, and its 4 ft. Principal. In the Choir organ will be found suitable accompaniment stops such as soft flutes, at 8 and 4 ft. pitches, a string and Dulciana type stops. The organ Harp is in the Choir division. The "Swell" organ has its own Diapason Chorus composed of Diapasons 8 and 4, a Giegen Diapason, and compound mixture stops. The soft Celeste stops are located here, and of course, the Vox Humana. In the Echo organ will be found the "Gamba Celeste" and "Flute Celeste" and the product of this division will be soft "floating" background music for the quiet parts of the service. The purpose of the "Antiphonal" is not only to support congregational singing, but to add life to the organ with moving sound. The "Prestant" stop of this division can be used in processions, and

the quiet "Spitaflete" stop as an accompaniment for a soloist or other special effects.

Multi-stage blowers, the organ relay, and switchboards, and the console remote combination machine and junction boards are located in the basement.

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GUADALUPE MAN and woman of the year are shown in above photos, top left: Manuel Alderete and Angie Gonzalez, with them is Victor Cruz who was high ticket salesman (58) for

a dinner, dance and program as a Guadalupe Mission benefit Saturday night in the Terra Bella Memorial building. Distinguished speakers included: Francisco Jamie, Con-

sul of Mexico, from Fresno; Judge Leopoldo G. Sanchez, of Los Angeles; Antonio Ortuño, mayor of Azusa and a nephew of Cecil Salas, of Porterville. Gilberto Ynigues,

president of the Guadalupe Mission Council, served as master of ceremonies. Other honored guests included: Judge George Carter, of Porterville; Fran Torigian, Porterville

chief of police; and Bill Rodgers, Porterville mayor. (Edwards Studio photos)

Reports Heard At Westfield 4-H Monthly Meeting

WESTFIELD, Feb. 6 — Project reports were given at the January meeting of the Westfield 4-H club, held recently at the West Putnam school.

Sharon Baxter reported on sheep

and junior leader program; Cinda Baker on her horse project, and home improvement; Debbie Gilbert, on sewing and dairy; and Dana Phillips, on sewing. Project reports will be given at the next club meeting, February 11, by Becky Botts, Gary Ingraham, Linda Townes and Denise Kuhlmann.

Cinda Baker also reported on possible community projects and on a club mimeograph machine. Flag salute was led by Debbie Baxter; 4-H pledge by Gary Ingraham, and songs by Diane Kuhlmann, Margaret Vaznaian, and Lee Gifford.

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CHAPEL CHIMES

By
Rev. N. J.
Thompson



Two cars approached an intersection at high speed. A sickening crash brought screams of pain. Three mangled corpses lay beside the wrecked cars on the road—because one of the drivers had been drinking.

Such scenes are so common that we don't bother to read the gory details, unless the victims happen to be taken from our own hearth. But such scenes deserve a long look. A survey of traffic fatalities reveals that alcoholic beverages cause 26 out of every 100 deaths.

Excessive drinking costs the USA \$35 million annually in medical care; over \$100 million in accidents; \$500 million in wage losses; and \$30 million in the upkeep of jails, according to estimates based on a Public Affairs Committee pamphlet.

Every year, 350,000 alcoholics die, at the average age of 51. For non-drinkers, the life expectancy is 70 years.

A social worker comments, "Alcohol keeps company with low morals, gambling, rackets, and vice. It robs the home of security and peace, and fills the prisons. Over 80% of persons in prison are

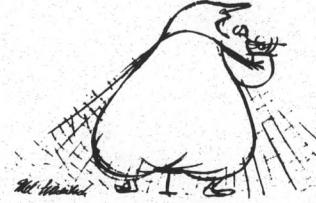
there because of alcoholism."

Other losses from liquor are alarming. For instance, about a million chronic alcoholics annually enter mental hospitals for treatment. And a writer in the "Christian Herald" states, "Ten million children are suffering from the destructive impact of their parents' drinking."

The Bible issues many warnings against the use of strong drink. The prophet Habakkuk warns, "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and maketh him drunken also." If America's church members would only pay heed to the prophet's warning, and throw away the bottle, their example could well result in lifting the stigma of drunkenness from our land.

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National Scene

by James W. Douthat

Washington, Feb. 6—The big question confronting this session of Congress and the voters next Nov. 3 is how best to assure peace and prosperity for the nation.

Should the program urged by President Johnson be, in general, adopted or should certain proposals be modified and others rejected?

What about the policies recommended by Sen. Goldwater, now a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination? Should they, in general, be accepted by Congress—or should some be modified and others rejected?

What about the program urged by Gov. Rockefeller—and the views of other potential presidential candidates?

The political situation being what it is, Congress is presented with a definite choice between liberalism and conservatism as those terms have come to be defined.

And whatever decisions are made in this respect on Capitol Hill are certain to be projected into the presidential and congressional campaigns—regardless of who is selected by the Republicans to run against President Johnson.

Mr. Johnson naturally is seeking to create an image in the public mind of a man striving to improve the lot of every citizen.

Other aspirants to the presidency proclaim, of course, the same objective.

The differences lie in how best to attain that goal.

Mr. Johnson's program, basically, is that recommended by President Kennedy, much of which thus far has been rejected by Congress.

Mr. Johnson's opponents for the presidency—both actual and prospective—also oppose, in varying degrees, a number of his legislative proposals.

There is general agreement that tax rate reform is desirable—but there is formidable opposition to lowering taxes without at the same time making a determined effort to curb expenditures.

President Johnson is constantly emphasizing economy, both by words and deeds, but he says also that spending will rise.

A number of the Johnson proposals are challenged on the ground that they improperly centralize additional power in the federal government—and also boost federal spending when the budget already is seriously out of balance.

Among other things, he is urging enactment of costly legislation for a new housing program, for subsidizing local areas in dealing with transportation problems, and for

subsidies for elementary and secondary school construction.

The mass transit bill is one of the measures that have passed the Senate and now are pending in the House Rules Committee. The committee can vote for or against sending them to the floor for action.

Others in this status include proposals for authorizing additional funds for the area redevelopment program and for establishing youth conservation camps.

Pending before other House committees are Senate-passed measures for creating a wilderness system, for expanding federal activity directed at water pollution, for regulation of unlisted securities, and for water resources planning.

Legislation to regulate packaging and labeling is before the Senate Judiciary Committee, and a proposal for full disclosure of interest charges is before the Senate Banking Committee.

These are only a few of the many measures on which action is being urged—and many more will be introduced during the coming weeks and months.

Along the Avenue

By Bill Rodgers

There are those who still talk about big community events in the new Porterville Armory building. But it won't be that way; the Armory is only in the 10,000 square foot class.

Two more landmark trees have fallen in the name of safety, etc., etc.—the big cottonwoods along old highway 65 opposite Porterville college, and near Al Gray's wrecking yard.

Another motel for Porterville? Actually there are two in the talking stages—both toward the west.

Surveys have been made in Porterville relative to the "piping" of TV into private homes. No action as yet.

Chamber of commerce committee heads for 1964—Edward Plummer, merchants; Norman Polley, industry; Jack Anglin, tourist; Earl Smith, membership; Virgil Lowe, blood bank.

Major problems that Porterville has bypassed for some few years—repairs of curbs and sidewalks that are broken up. It's become a real problem now. Curbs and sidewalks to a city are like shoes to a person—shabby and unshined and the individual looks run-down and seedy; new and sparkling, and the individual looks sharp.

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BILL CROSS, Brea—"Everyone is against poverty, but we have learned through many social experiments that subsidizing laziness does not cure the problem."

J. L. JOHNSTONE, 74, Auburn motorist, on limiting age of drivers—"Oldsters, I say, have more right on our highways than the grippers. They are the ones who built these roads in the first place."

MRS. FRANK OULIES, Truxee, chairman of memorial fund committee for State Highway Patrolman Glenn Carlson, slain by robbers—"The response just proves that good thoughts are as contagious as bad thoughts."

MRS. SYDNEY PLOTTEL, Burlingame—"Perhaps there would be hope for permanent peace if all the world would build bridges instead of walls."

"Our state may be first in many things but New Jersey has us beat in its law giving protection to doctors and other competent healers who stop and render aid at the scene of an accident."

Maritime Academy Entrance Exams Announced By Way

EXETER, Feb. 6—State Senator Howard Way announces an examination for young men in Tulare county to become his nominees for admission to the California Maritime Academy in August, 1964. The examination may be taken at various times and places throughout the state between February 1 and May 2. Those held nearest this area will be the one at Modesto on March 25, and one at Bakersfield on March 24.

To be eligible an applicant must, at the time of admission on August 10, 1964, be a high school graduate, unmarried, 17 years of age but not yet 22, and meet certain physical and mental requirements.



JERRY LETSINGER, left, who was installed as president of the Porterville Exchange club at a ladies night meeting in the Paul Bunyan last Thursday evening; with him is John Ramage, district governor, from Bakersfield, the installing officer.

Other club officers seated are: Walker J. Thomas, vice president; Charles Aldine, secretary; Raymond Schwab, treasurer; and Don Bendoski, Harlan Bentz, Max Springer and John Keck, board of control.

ments.

Those interested should contact the office of Senator Way, 124 South E Street, Exeter, telephone 592-3571, or write to him at P. O. Box 724, Exeter, as early as possible.

Spraying for weed control in vineyards instead of French plowing has been adopted by a number of Tulare county grape growers.



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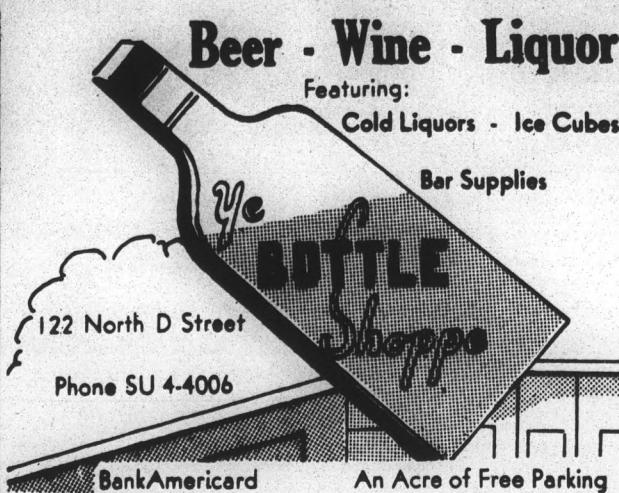
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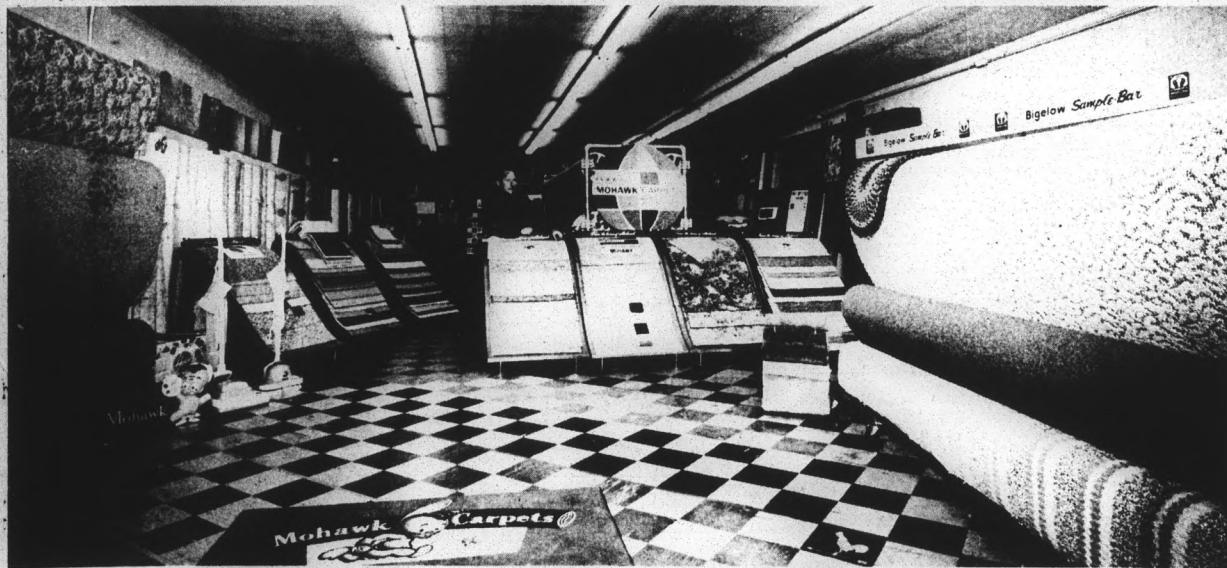
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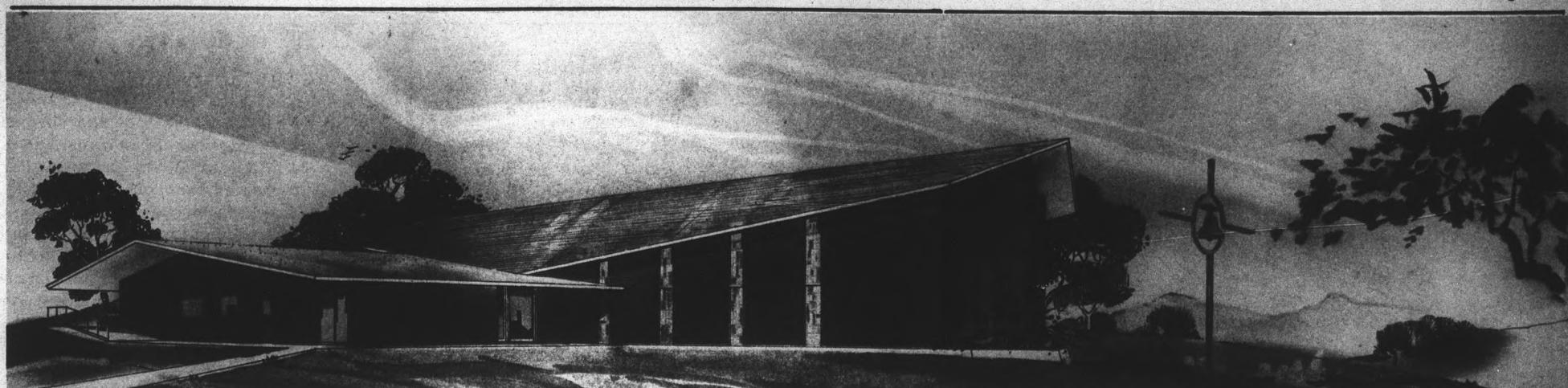
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foot building will include a chapel, eight class rooms and a multipurpose room. A new

40-bed unit is also planned. The Good Shepherd home for retarded children now has 115

beds; master plan calls for 280 beds eventually; there is now a waiting list of 300 patients.

NEVA HASTINGS

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on these boys and girls.

To obtain an education and teach in a rural school in this county in the 1880's was quite a hardship and one had to have the determination and willingness to put up with the early pioneer hardships, problems and inconveniences of living in remote areas, bad roads, lack of communication and epidemics that went through entire families. School accommodations were very limited, to say

the least.

By this time, I am sure you all know of whom I speak. Neva Porch Hastings was born near Grinnell, Iowa on October 10, 1870. Her parents were Robert Porch and Mary Mountz Porch. There were five children in the family.

In the spring of 1873, the family moved by team and wagon to Kansas, where they claimed 80 acres of timber land. In 1881, the family sold their land and headed west on the first emigrant train through to San Francisco. Their destination was Lemoore, Tulare County (now Kings County). At this time Mrs. Hastings was 10 years old. After a stay of five months, the family moved to what is now Parlier, Fresno County, for a short time. Then they moved near Selma. At this time, she was able to enroll in school, having to pay tuition.

In the fall of 1886, her parents moved and settled west of what is now Terra Bella, on land that was thrown open for settlement by the U.S. Land Office. Mrs. Hastings stayed on in Fresno County to finish her school year. In 1887 and 1888 she attended school in Plano (Vandalia). Her teacher was S. A. Cruckshanks.

In 1889, she entered the Visalia Public Schools. The teacher's examination was held in the County Superintendent's office in the Court House in November. She was given a Primary Certificate, good for two years. She stayed in school until Christmas vacation and it was while she was home with her family that she received a letter from County Superintendent Murphy, stating that there was a school opening at Xenia, a mountain district four miles from Auckland and eight miles this side of Badger in Tulare County. She accepted the position and boarded with a family for \$16.00 per month.

In 1890 she opened the Salem District School, just south of Terra Bella, where she taught for two terms.

Having passed the examination for a Grammar Grade Certificate in 1893, she again returned to teach at Xenia.

She then returned to school for more education in Visalia by attending high school. The untiring efforts of her outstanding teachers gave her confidence and spurred her on to success in her chosen field.

Wheatland School, south and west of Terra Bella was her next school, where she taught from 1894 to 1897 and 1898 to 1903. While at Wheatland, she taught three summers at Grapevine School, above White River, California, on White River. After leaving Wheatland, she taught at Vandalia School (Plano) from 1903 to 1906.

For a while she stopped teaching school. She then taught at Hope School from 1914 to 1918. Her next school was in Terra Bella where she taught from 1918 to 1934, with the exception of 1928 to 1929, when she taught at Burton School, west of Porterville.

In 1934 she returned to Hope School, which was her last school before retiring in 1942 at the age of 72. While teaching at this school, she taught three generations of the Bastian and Faure families. She taught Ramona Miles from the first grade through the eighth grade, which is quite unusual.

On July 7, 1909, she was married to Warren Waitsel Hastings of Terra Bella and they moved to his ranch north and west of Terra Bella. Mr. Hastings was a widower with six children. She later became the foster-mother of three nieces. Mr. and Mrs. Hastings resided on the ranch until the time of his death on March 11, 1950. He had lived beyond 90 years of age, after a long and useful life.

Mrs. Hastings was honored with a picnic in Murry Park by her former students on June 9, 1946. More than 300 former students and their families attended to pay their respects. The picnic was an idea of the late Assemblyman, Lester Guthrie. It had been 50 years since he had been a pupil of Mrs. Hastings at Grapevine School above White River. He passed away suddenly in April, before the

picnic was held and the arrangements were carried out by former students.

Mrs. Hastings organized the P.T.A. in the Terra Bella School and is a Life Member. She is also a member of the Retired Teachers National Association and a Charter Member of the Terra Bella Women's Club. She is one of the two surviving Charter Members of the Terra Bella Presbyterian Church, where she served as Deaconess for many years. Hastings Hall was erected in her name for Sunday School classes from the many contributions of her former students, friends and relatives.

Early in her busy teaching career she took time in the fall of 1907 to go to Hanford and teach in the Japanese Mission under the Board of National Mission of the First Presbyterian Church of U.S.A. When a branch was established in Visalia, she was put in charge and taught there during the spring of 1908.

With distinction she served on the Tulare County Board of Education from 1917 to 1935.

Mrs. Hastings never ceases to be a teacher. Her love for people is always felt wherever she goes. It was while she was at Springville in 1962, a patient with a broken hip in the Melvin Rehabilitation Ward, that she was an inspiration to the patients and personnel of the hospital. To those who were discouraged and lonely, she gave the courage to get well. She taught some to knit and read to others. On Sundays they would gather around her bed to have Sunday School. She would read from the Bible and give a Bible story or sermon. All through the week she gave of herself to those who needed her.

Mrs. Hastings will always be a help and a guide to mankind.

Surviving children of Mrs. Hastings are: Mrs. Ethel Hastings Evert, of Los Angeles; Mrs. Edna Hastings Rickey, of Strathmore; Ernest Hastings, of Grover City, and Bill Hastings, of Terra Bella.

Nieces are: Neva Porch, and

Mrs. Lucille Porch Futrell, of Porterville, and Mrs. Edith Porch Lyon, of Riverside.

The orchid corsage presented to Mrs. Hastings at the banquet was given by Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kamps, proprietors of the Mountain View Rest Home where Mrs. Hastings now resides.

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GROUND WAS broken Monday for a new gymnasium and health education building on the Porterville high school campus, with the above group making the dirt fly, from left: Art Van Horn, director of student activities; Vic Young, student

commissioner of athletics; Ivan Peterson, district building inspector; Ted Cornell, school board chairman; Paul Kercher, acting director of the college; and Carl Elder, director of athletics.

(Edwards studio photo)

SNOW SURVEY MEETING

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company. In all, some 40 agencies, companies and public utilities are members.

The Camp Nelson program as outlined by Fred Strauss, Porterville engineer, will be built around information relating to snow survey work, with one feature being demonstrations of over-snow vehicles.

A special program on February 19 will be keyed to Lake Miller-ton and the Friant-Kern canal operation; representatives of the Friant Water Users association

have been invited as special guests. As sidelight activities, Strauss has arranged for tours of Porterville-area citrus houses on February 19, and a general tour of the southern county agricultural area on February 20. Arrangements have also been made to visit the Cen-Vi-Ro Pipe corporation plant in Shafter where pre-stressed non-cylinder concrete pipe is being manufactured.

Breakfast, lunch and dinners will be served at the Camp Nelson lodge; there will be a "happy hour" before dinner on February 18.

Persons desiring to attend any of the sessions should make reservations through the Althouse-Strauss office in Porterville.

NEW GYM AND HEALTH EDUCATION BUILDING STARTED ON COLLEGE CAMPUS; COMPLETION IN 250 DAYS

PORTERVILLE, Feb. 6—Ground has been broken for construction of a new \$318,000 health education building and gymnasium on the Porterville College campus, one of the final phases in the completion of the school's physical plant.

The construction contract is held by David M. Bigger of Bakersfield for \$318,000, which includes all five alternates in the original specifications. Construction is to be completed within 250 days.

The building, which contains some 16,000 square feet, includes a large gymnasium floor, fold-out bleachers, an exercise room, foyer, snack bar, and storage space. It will be connected to the health education classroom building and

shower and locker facilities which were completed several years ago.

The new facility, according to Paul R. Kercher, acting director of the college, also will provide a place to hold student assemblies and other large gatherings, and will allow for an expansion of offerings in physical education classes.

The gymnasium is one of three buildings in a complex for which the district board of trustees has committed funds. Also planned for completion within the next three years are a communication arts building and a student union. Additional life science facilities also are planned.

Enrollment

Shows Spring Gain At College

PORTERVILLE, Feb. 6 — The spring semester enrollment at Porterville College showed a gain of more than five per cent over that of the previous spring, it was announced by Paul R. Kercher, acting director.

There were 438 day students enrolled when registration closed on Friday, Kercher said, compared to 416 for the 1963 spring semester. There were 510 enrolled for the 1963 fall semester, but spring semester enrollments always show a considerable decrease at the college level.

Another 224 students are enrolled for evening division college classes only, Kercher stated. Evening division enrollment also closed last week.

Dr. Cleo Dawson Executive Club Speaker Monday

PORTERVILLE, Feb. 6 — Cleo Dawson, popular professor of psychology whose participation a year ago on the T.V. show "Tonight" literally "brought down the house" and since has had offers to appear on additional TV shows, will

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BY BILL RODGERS

THE SAD part of the obvious tie-in between President Lyndon Johnson and Bobby Baker is that trading on the name and prestige of persons in the public eye is an old and continuing trick in the world of politics, and that Bobby played the trick to its maximum financial degree without anyone getting much concerned until Bobby was bobbled, and his castle of influence and second degree patronage began to tumble down. Really it's not so bad that Mr. Johnson, while a United States Senator, accepted a rather expensive Hi-Fi set from Bobby, a set that Mr. Johnson could have bought with pocket money if he chose — except that Bobby was trading on Mr. Johnson's name and reputation, and, as secretary of the Senate Democrats, headed by Mr. Johnson, he was also trading on reflected importance and position in order to manipulate his own private financial deals. And maybe it isn't important that Bobby allegedly was a party to high pressuring an insurance man into taking unwanted advertising on the LJB Co. TV station in Austin, because the LJB company really didn't need the business anyway . . . Maybe you just laugh off this sort of thing, as Mr. Johnson more or less did when questioned about the Hi-Fi in a press conference (he hasn't commented yet about the advertising allegations) but somehow or other we can't get it out of our head that Mr. Johnson, and other Senators, were aware, in a way, about Bobby's financial manipulations, and that they really knew that Bobby was using their names and the position of confidence they had given him to build his own empire. But, then, they really didn't know because they sort of turned their heads and let things ride. After all, Bobby was Mr. Johnson's protege, and Bobby was considered to be a very smart and capable article indeed . . . Now Mr. Johnson isn't the first Senator or the first President, Democrat or Repub-

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Dr. Allen Hunter Is Church Speaker

PORTERVILLE, Feb. 6 — Dr. Allen Hunter, widely known for his work in the spiritual life of the church, will speak at the First Congregational Church of Porterville, Friday and Saturday evenings, Feb. 7 and 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the Fireplace room. The public is cordially invited.

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was installing officer last Saturday for his brother Dean, center, and, at right, Bob. With them is Mrs. Elizabeth Neufeld, who was honored as president of the Mothers' club, and Ray, who is the Chapter Dad. (Hammond Studio photo)

A TREATY IS A TREATY — U.S. SHOULD STAND FIRM IN PANAMA

By JAMES DORAIIS

Allen Drury, the author of the best seller "Advise and Consent," possesses a high degree of prescience.

His second novel, "A Shade of Difference," written in 1962, is largely concerned with American troubles with Panama, stemming from disputes over the Panama Canal. In his description of imagined events, numerous American commentators, columnists and pundits are only too ready to reject Stephen Decatur's famous slogan, "our country, right or wrong," and rally to its inverse: "the other person's country, right or wrong."

Today, the United States is faced with demands from the Republic of Panama to relinquish the Canal Zone. No matter that occupancy of the Canal is vested with the United States in perpetuity by treaty, that the Canal was built by the United States, that the Panama Canal Company

makes no profits, that its rates for ships of all the world's nations have never been raised since the Canal was built, that its commerce furnishes one-sixth of Panama's income. True to Drury's prediction, voices are raised throughout the land that Panama's nationalistic designs on the Zone are justified, that American nationals living in the Zone are guilty of chauvinism, and that the U. S. should abandon its treaty rights and throw the whole dispute into "negotiation".

Should the United States government yield to the voices of appeasement and relinquish the Canal to Panama, the precedent could lead to interesting results.

Take the case, for example, of the 49th state, Alaska. This 581,000 square mile piece of real estate was originally claimed by Russia in 1799. It was purchased from Russia by the United States in 1867 for \$7,200,000. That this was a ridiculously low price can be demonstrated by the fact that in the one year of 1909 alone, Alaskan gold production totalled more than \$29,000,000.

If the present Russian government should claim that the 1867 purchase was fraudulent and demand repossession, should the U. S. consent to negotiate the dispute through the United Nations? And if the General Assembly awarded the state to the Soviets, should the complaints of American citizens living in Alaska be dismissed as chauvinism?

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SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6—Will increased mechanization result in fewer jobs on California farms?

Fewer seasonal jobs, yes. But more and better permanent or year-round jobs, says the Council of California Growers.

The trend in that direction already is evident. According to a report from the California Department of Employment, the number of year-round farm workers in California increased 4 per cent, from an average of 91,000 in 1961 to 94,300 in 1962.

Mechanization, says the report, is creating a demand for workers with greater skills and a consequent upgrading of jobs.

"The farmer who finds the skilled worker . . . tends to extend the job duration and try to hold the worker through improved employment inducements," the report states.

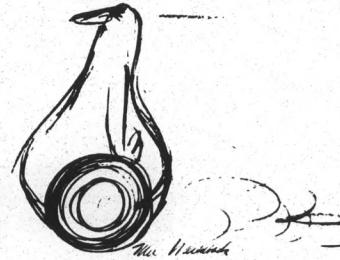
Although mechanization reduces the number of unskilled seasonal workers on farms, it creates more jobs in related industries: In the plants which design and build the machines, in the businesses that sell and service the machines, and in the petroleum and rubber industries which produce the fuel and tires needed to operate them.

The cotton harvest provides a good example of this multiplier ef-

Louisiana, Arkansas, Missouri, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, North and South Dakota, and Minnesota, all purchased from the government of France in 1803 for \$15,000,000. President DeGaulle is indicating a growing interest in the Province of Quebec in Canada, formerly a French possession. Perhaps he would also like to renegotiate the Louisiana Purchase.

Finally, there is always the problem of Fort Ross, along California's Sonoma County coast, formerly a possession of Russia. What do we do when Khrushchev demands that the Hammer and Sickle be flown along side the Stars and Stripes in Sonoma County schools?

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WHEN THE Noon Lions gave away a Cadillac, recently, as a benefit for the Porterville Museum project, John Daybell was the winner. But John took only \$2,000, donated the car back to the Lions club, who in turn gave it to Bob McLaughlin, the dealer, who accepted

it at full price, all of which brought the museum fund an unexpected \$3,500. At Saturday night's Porterville chamber of commerce banquet, Daybell finally got his car with a special presentation. He's shown above showing off the car to the gathered multitude. (Recorder photo)

SPRINGVILLE RODEO

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nicers as well, who enjoy the spring beauty of the Sierra foothills in April.

On the 1964 committee are: Jack Curts and Carlos Gregg, representing the Springville Grange; Gifford and Dick Maas, Lions club; Glenn Cole and Pat McDonald, chamber of commerce; Bruce Borror and Darwin Griswold, Farm Bureau center; Ira Dunlap and Joe Pergl, Veterans of Foreign Wars; and Dick Coon, member-at-large. Gregg is secretary of the committee; meetings are being held every Friday, 7:30 p.m., in the Springville Barber shop building.

We Only Heard

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can, who has been caught with a bit of a skeleton in the closet. It's just sad that many closets have many skeletons in the world of politics, but until the skeleton outgrows the closet, no one pays much attention. And maybe if you're a Senator, or if you're the President you don't have to pay too much attention. You just disown the skeleton . . . Sort of sad, isn't it, in a democracy.

one of the original directors of the fair, Smith, and Lee Martin, who worked as exhibits superintendent for the past two years.

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